STANDING FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Thursday the 9th July 1931/25th Mithunam 1106.

The fifth meeting of the Standing Finance Committee, 1106, of the Legislative Council, was held in the Dewan's Room, Public Offices, at 12 Noon on Thursday, the 9th July 1931/25th Mithunam 1106.

The following members were present:—

V. S. Subrahmania Aiyar Esq., B. A., B. L., Dewan—*President.*
K. Kunjukrishna Pillai Esq., B. A., B. L.
N. K. Krishna Pillai Esq., B. A., B. L.
Joseph Kunju Esq.
K. George Esq., B. A.
R. Nilakanta Pillai Esq., B. A., B. L.
P. N. Krishna Pillai Esq., B. A., B. L., *Convener.*

XXI. Education Department.

55. The Committee took up the proposal for the appointment of additional Arabic and Koran Teachers in Vernacular Schools, the consideration of which had been postponed on the first day. Mr. K. George read out for the information of the members the particulars received from the Director of Public Instruction regarding the number of schools requiring Arabic and Koran teachers and the strength in each class. The proposal was agreed to by the Committee as also the provision of a sum of Rs. 4,584 in the Budget for the purpose.

56. The proposal for the continuance of the two temporary clerks on Rs. 20 each per mensem in the office of the Inspector of Vernacular Schools, the consideration of which also had been postponed on the first day was next taken up. The President read out a report received from the Director of Public Instruction explaining the necessity for the continuance of these clerks. Thereupon the proposal was accepted by the Committee as also the provision of a sum of Rs. 440 for the purpose in the Budget.

XXII. Police.

57. The Committee then took up for consideration the proposal for the reorganisation of the Armed Reserve and the constitution of an Auxiliary Reserve as also the grant of allowance to the constables of the Reserve.

The respective strengths of the Armed Reserve, Vacancy Reserve and the Auxiliary Reserve as proposed will be as follows:

		Inspectors.	Head Constables.	Constables.
Armed Reserve	...	1	7	112
Band	...	...	1	18
Vacancy Reserve	...	...	...	50
Auxiliary Reserve	...	...	9	71
Total	...	1	17	251

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The proposals involve the strengthening of the Force by 2 Head Constables and 38 constables, and the additional expenditure on this account is as follows:—

Vacancy Reserve.

	Cost per mensem. Rs.
5 Constables on Rs. 11 each per mensem ...	55
2 Head Constables on Rs. 18 each per mensem ...	36
33 Constables.	
5 Constables on Rs. 14 each per mensem ...	70
9 Constables on Rs. 13 each per mensem ...	117
19 Constables on Rs. 12 each per mensem ...	228
Total ...	506
Allowance for 8 Constables at Rs. 3 each per mensem ...	24
Allowance for 130 constables at Rs. 2 each per mensem...	260
Total ...	284

The aggregate cost on account of the proposals comes to Rs. 6,924 per annum. The amount required for 11 months in 1107 is Rs. 6,347. The non-official members opposed this scheme, but it was decided to place the proposal before the Legislative Council.

XXIII. Registration Department.

58. The Committee agreed to the proposal for the continuance during 1107 of the following 7 temporary Sub-Registry offices, *viz.*, Balaramapuram, Vellanad, Pandalam, Karunagapalli Additional, Varkalai, Tonnakal and Kotamangalam with their staff and 12 additional temporary clerks on Rs. 20 each per mensem, as also the provision of a sum of Rs. 20,399 required for the purpose in the Budget.

XXIV. General Administration.

59. The Committee agreed to the provision of a sum of Rs. 5,786 in the Budget for the continuance of the following special staff in the Records Branch of the Secretariat:—

Temporary Staff—English Records.

	Rs.
Special Officer at Rs. 210 for 11 months ...	2,310
2 Graduate clerks on Rs. 40 each for 11 months...	880
2 Typists on Rs. 25 each " ...	550
2 Peons on Rs. 9 each " ...	198
Deputation allowance at 1/5 of the salary for 2 Graduate clerks and 5 under-graduate clerks at Rs. 92 per mensem ...	1,012
Allowance to 2 mochies and 2 peons at Rs. 3 each	132
	5,082

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